NATIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT RERSEARCH LABORATORY Environmental Technology Verification Funding Announcement

AGENCY: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA),

National Risk Management Research Laboratory, Environmental Technology Assessment, Verification,

and Outcomes Staff (ETAVOS)

ANNOUNCEMENT TYPE: Initial

FUNDING INSTRUMENT: Cooperative Agreement

NUMBER: EPA-ORD-NRMRL-CI-09-11

TITLE: Environmental Technology Verification (ETV)

Advanced Monitoring Systems (AMS) Center

ACTION: Request for Applications (RFA)

CFDA NO: 66.511 (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

(CFDA)

CATEGORY OF FUNDING: Environment

DATES: The closing date and time for receipt of proposals is **December 15, 2009, 4:30 p.m. EST.** All applications must be postmarked or submitted electronically through email as described in Section IV., by the closing date and time to receive consideration. No late applications will be accepted.

To allow for efficient management of the competitive process, EPA requests submittal of an informal notice of an Intent to Apply by November 30, 2009. Submission of Intent to apply is optional; it is a process management tool that will allow EPA to better anticipate the total staff time required for efficient review, evaluation, and selection of submitted proposals.

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SUMMARY OF PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is soliciting applications from eligible applicants to operate the Environmental Technology Verification (ETV) Advanced Monitoring Systems (AMS) Center. ETV provides objective, quality-assured performance verifications of technologies across a broad spectrum of environmental and homeland security technology categories. The ETV Centers are the industry leaders in conducting verifications and help organizations, industries, businesses, states, communities, and individuals make better informed decisions when selecting new environmental technologies. The AMS Center verifies the performance of commercial-ready technologies that monitor contaminants and natural species in air, water, and soil.

NUMBER OF AWARDS: One

FUNDING:

FLOOR: \$0

CEILING: \$2,000,000

EPA anticipates awarding one cooperative agreement from this announcement. Funding of the ETV cooperative agreement shall be **subject to availability of funding**. EPA anticipates that the funding range of the AMS Center agreement will be from \$0-\$1,000,000/year plus any "program income" the successful applicant generates from fees it charges for technology verifications. The Agency expects the Maximum potential funding range over the two year period will be from \$0-\$2,000,000 depending on the amount of program income.

GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION: Not Applicable

PROGRAM INCOME: Applicable

The recipient will have the opportunity to generate program income under the ETV Center. Rough per year averages over the past four years, including in-kind and cash, are \$300K. While program income is part of ETV agreements, EPA does not guarantee specified levels of program income.

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COST SHARING OR MATCHING: Not required, but Encouraged and Evaluated under

Section V

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION: Programs under CFDA 66.511 are available to each State, territory and possession, and Tribal nation of the United States, including the District of Columbia, for public and private State universities and colleges, hospitals, laboratories, State and local government departments, and other public or private nonprofit institutions and in some cases, individuals who have demonstrated unusually high scientific ability. **Profit-making firms are not eligible to receive awards under this announcement.** Eligible nonprofit organizations include any organizations that meet the definition of nonprofit in OMB Circular A-122 (codified at 2 CFR Part 230). However, nonprofit organizations described in Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that engage in lobbying activities as defined in Section 3 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 are not eligible to apply. Universities and educational institutions must be subject to OMB Circular A-21 (codified at 2 CFR Part 220).

APPLICATION INFORMATION:

Applicants may submit either a hard-copy printed application or an electronic application through email (but not both) for this announcement. Instructions for both forms of submission follow in Sections IV.B. and IV.C. Grant application forms can be found at http://www.epa.gov/ogd/AppKit/application.htm

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Link to Full Announcement:

http://www.grants.gov

http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/tech/funding.html